

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: J. Noone (Chair), F. Gorman and F. Simone.

Also Present: Dr. Papallo, J. Katzin, D. Falcetti, T. Reardon, W. Shuhi, G. Carr, E. Fabbri, A. Longobucco, K. Della Volpe, D. Johnson, T. Crowe and G. Zaremski.

**Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting September 22, 2008**

MOTION made by Mr. Simone and seconded by Mr. Gorman: to approve the minutes of the special meeting of September 22, 2008.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

**Discussion of the status of the operating budget for 2008-09:** This item will be discussed at a later date.

**Discussion of the Status of 2009-2010 Budget Development**  
**Review of the Budget to be Presented to the Board of Finance**

- Fiscal crisis has been kept in mind; look for FTE reductions; the expectations are for a 0% increase budget.
- Lean budget; roughly a 5% decrease occurs with a zero decrease budget.
- State funding unknown at this time.
- Discussed possible staffing reductions; 3 positions may be reduced to bring down FTE's.
- Proposed budget was presented to those in attendance. FTE same number as this year at this time; certified area reduced; classified staff increased in special education assistants; assistant assignment sheet by school was distributed.
- Budget does not include \$94,059 for pension increase and \$50,000 for post employment benefit allocations. Benefit area might provide possible savings.
- Maintenance budget decreases; cleaning services saves money.
- No program elimination at this time
- Regular transportation expenses up 17.32%.
- Professional travel reduced.
- Bottom line 1.14% increase.

MOTION made by Mr. Gorman and seconded by Mr. Simone: to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Respectfully Submitted  
Donald R. Falcetti, Recorder